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TAGS: PINS, XF, JA, SN
SUBJECT: TERRORISM: SINGAPORE INCIDENT

REF: STATE 21421 (NOT SENT TOKYO)

1. FOLLOWING IS FULLEST POSSIBLE TEXT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN TO DATE OF PFLP COMMUNIQUE RE SINGAPORE INCIDENT ISSUED JAN 31 IN DAMASCUS. AFTER DECLARING THAT PFLP AND JAPANESE REVOLUTIONARY RED ARMY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR OPERATION. COMMUNIQUE READS:

QTE MARTYR BASIL AL QUBAISSI UNIT CARRIED OUT

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR
REVIEWED BY Quinlan DATE 5-9-83
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THIS OPERATION ACCORIDING TO INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM PFLP AND RED ARMY. I; WAS DONE BECAUSE OF ANTI-ARAB ROLE PLAYED BY OIL COMPANIES AND GOVT OF SINGAPORE AGAINST ARAB PEOPLE IN GENERAL AND PALESTINIAN PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR. UNIT WHICH EXECUTED OPERATION PLANTED EXPLOSIVES IN TANK AT SAME TIME WHEN INTERNATIONAL IMPERIALISM AND ITS AGENTS WERE CONDUCTING FIERCE CAMPAIGN AGAINST ARAB MASSES TO SUBJUGATE THEIR ILL AND PLUNDER THEIR OIL WEALTH. OPERATION IS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR REVOLUTIONARY STRATEGIC POLICY OF STRIKING IMPERIALIST INTERESTS PURSUANT TO ORDERS ISSUED BY PFLP AND JAPANESE RED ARMY. UNQTE

2. COMMUNIQUE CONTINUED QTE LOWING UP THESE OIL STORAGE TANKS TOOK PLACE AT SAME TIME WHEN SHELL OIL CO. AND GOVT OF SINGAPORE WERE ENGAGED IN HOSTIL ACTIVITIES AGAINST ARAB PEOPLE IN GENERAL AND PALESTINIAN PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR IN CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH ISRAEL. ALSO AT SAME TIME WHEN SHELL WAS SUPPLYING IMPERIALIST AGENTS IN SAIGON WITH OIL. AFTER VIETNAMESE REBELS HAD BLOWN UP SAIGON'S OIL STORES IN DECEMBER. NAMING THIS OPERATION AFTER MARTYR BASIL AL QUBAISSI DENOTES APPRECIATION BY PALESTINIAN AND JAPANESE REVOLUTIONARIES FOR WHAT HE HAD EXEMPLIFIED--SYMBOL OF INTERNATIONAL STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALISM. MARTYR BASIL FELL AT HANDS OF ISRAELI AGENTS IN STREETS OF PARIS. LIKE OTHER REVOLUTIONARIES WHO FELL VICTIMS OF SUPPRESSION, REPRESSION, RACISM AND FASCISM, THESE LIQUIDITION

PLOTS WILL NEVER SUCCEED. ARAB MASSES WILL NOT PERMIT SURRENDER PLOT TO SUCCEED. LET OUR PEOPLE STRUGGLE AGAINST INTERESTS OF IMPERIALISM AND ZIONISM. END QUTE. HOUGHTON

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